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Noting that there would be an NFIB meeting tomorrow, the Director asked and received clarification regarding which NIE would be discussed. He added that over the weekend he had made comments on NIE 11/3-8 and suggested that Bowie ask NIO Stoertz if these changes should be surfaced at tomorrow's NFIB meeting: Mr. Carlucci said that he had some questions about some of the wording in NIE 11/10-78 that will be discussed tomorrow, and Bowie said that he would arrange a discussion about the same. (Action: NFAC) completed 25X1

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Alluding to an item in Saturday's Executive Summary about the Chinese leaders' concern about the lack of Chinese military combat experience, the Director asked NFAC to watch for any other indications that such concern may be an inhibiting factor on any Chinese decision to move against Vietnam. Bowie noted that NFAC was updating the Alert Memorandum on the PRC/Vietnam/Kampuchea situation. (Action: NFAC)

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Mr. Carlucci asked Hetu to obtain a tape of the program "The Advocates" in which a Massachusetts legislator did an excellent job defending the Agency position against Morton Halperin and others. (Action: PA) (U)

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The Director told Mr. Carlucci he would like to have a better organized Community approach to the problem of replacing [redacted]. He said he would like to form an NFIB task force headed by [redacted] to look into this problem. Mr. Carlucci concurred in doing so. The Director asked Shackley to begin writing terms of reference for such a task force to ensure that all alternative possibilities to the sites are examined. (Action: CT) [redacted]

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Hitz advised that his staff would be working with congressional committees regarding their interpretation of the Department of Justice memorandum on the legal effect of classified annexes. Noting Congressman Murphy's recent public statements about charter legislation and the HPSCI's recent report on Iran, the Director said the issue of whether or not the DCI should be involved in covert action seems to be developing. He suggested that McMahon monitor the situation. McMahon mentioned that Congressman Aspin has scheduled a hearing on covert action on 1 March. (Action: DDO)

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Noting some information may be available in EXDIS traffic about Secretary Brown submitting a proposal [ ] for an American-led Persian Gulf command, the Director asked Evans to examine how we could obtain such material from the Department of Defense. Mr. Carlucci mentioned that Under Secretary of State Newsom advised him several EXDIS (sic) cables we had complained about not receiving had not been disseminated at the request of the President. (Action: ES) [ ]

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